MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Friday, the 25th November 1966.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at One of the Clock.

Mr. SPEAKER (SRI B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA, B.A., B.L.) in the Chair.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. SPEAKER.—With regard to the work before the House today, there was an informal discussion and agreement arrived at — I qualify it by 'informal' because the duty of allotting the time for no-confidence motion is that of the Speaker and not of the Business Advisory Committee or any other body. I have discussed and I have bestowed my anxious consideration to give the fullest scope for discussion. Bearing in mind that this is the fourth time that a no-confidence motion is being moved and bearing in mind all that has been stated on prior occasions, as also what has already been stated in regard to certain matters during the course of proceedings under Short-Notice Questions, Call Attention Notices, Supplementary Demand, while opposing resolution, and the Bills introduced to replace ordinances, I have thought that approximately the time of two days that would normally be given for the opposition should be sufficient. In other words, 3½ hours per day, it comes to seven hours for 2 days. That would be normally available for this debate. Out of that, if I am to apportion the time between the ruling party and the opposition, having regard to the numerical strength and equitable distribution, the opposition would not be entitled to anything more than perhaps one third, half of it will be 3½ hours and taking it even more generously we will begin this debate at 1 O'clock and sit up to 7 O'clock and there will be no tea break, four hours for the opposition and two hours for the ministers and ruling party together. In that light the questions for today will be taken as having been answered and any supplementary might be put forward in the shape of debate, if it is necessary at all. Therefore I will say that the questions will not be called and the answers circulated will be printed. That would be taken as information given.